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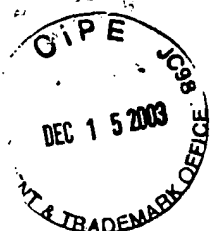
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Sir:

SMALL ENTITY CLAIM AND REFUND REQUEST

Please accept the claim for Small Entity claimed herewith and refund one-half of the fee paid on November 18, 2003 in the above-identified case by crediting \$540 to our account no. 14-1140 under Order No. 14-1140.

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